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We shall give \$10.00 in gold as a first prize, and \$5.00 as a second prize, to the boy or girl under eighteen years of age writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 P. M. on February 16, 1905.

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#### Today's Weather.

Portland, Feb. 1.—Western Oregon—Thursday, rain in the south and increasing cloudiness followed by rain in the north portion.

#### REPUBLICAN PRINCIPALS.

The recent decision of the supreme court of the United States against the beef trust is one of the most important and far reaching ever rendered. Following on the heels of the decision in the Northern Securities Company, shows that combinations of capital in restraint of trade are unlawful. The decisions were brought about by the persistent policy of President Roosevelt. Congress was and always has been practically controlled and dominated by trusts. The president was aware of this fact, and he took the power away from congress and issued instructions to the attorney general to bring proceedings against all the trusts. That the decision meets with popular approval is evidenced by the fact that President Roosevelt's position on the trust question was well known during the recent election, and the people had confidence in the president as is attested by the overwhelming majority he received at the polls.

The democratic party has endeavored to make the trust question a political issue and saddle all the blame upon the republican party for fostering them. The actions of President Roosevelt and the decisions of the supreme court knocks the props from under the democratic platform. The question of expansion and imperialism has been relegated to the rear. The money question has been settled by the republican party. The tariff question will be settled by the president, although at the present time there is a strong sentiment among members of congress to "stand pat" on the question and prevent any revision. That the president will be able to bring them into line, or at least a majority of them, is virtually conceded. When he maps out a plan of procedure, he prepares for a winning fight and never loses.

The result of the president's success will do much to solidify the republican party of the nation and bring within its folds all conservative and independent voters. It means republican ascendancy for years to come. There is a local application in this that is opportune at this time. The republican party of Clatsop county should show by its vote at all elections, whether national, state or local, that it approves the policy of President Roosevelt. Clatsop county is republican on a straight party vote by at least 700. If Clatsop county expects any aid in needed legislation, it must be secured through the dominant party in power. It can not be secured in any other way.

A general state and county election will be held next year. The republican party of Clatsop county is vitally interested in the election. It is time that the organization be solidified and preparations made for the coming contest. The experience of last June in electing two democrats to the legislature is bearing fruit. Nothing accomplished. It is time that men who are republican in principle should exercise that right and stand by their convictions. It is impossible for any convention to nominate men that are acceptable to everyone, but as long as they are republicans, nominated on a republican ticket and a republican platform, and will carry out republican principles

and be in full accord with the national administration, they are deserving of and should receive the support of all republicans. Personal prejudices should be cast aside and all work for the greatest good for the greatest number.

#### EQUITABLE AND JUST.

The Oregonian voices the sentiments of two-thirds of the people of Astoria in an editorial yesterday on the local option issue. It says:

"If the legislature will amend the present miscalled local option law, so that it can be offered to the people as a plain and fair local option measure, the act will be approved by ten to twenty thousand majority. Opportunity to vote for precinct local option or prohibition is the demand, and voters who were duped and gulled and fooled by the studied subtleties of the act of last June and by the hypocrites of its advocates, as well as those who saw through the artifice, but couldn't get others to consider and understand it, are entitled to a chance to pass on a plain, simple and direct local option law, with all schemes and juggleries of the present law for enforcement of prohibition where prohibition is not wanted, cut out of it.

"Probably the amended act will go to the referendum; and it is advisable that it should. The governor would not be likely to hold that any such emergency existed as required the law to be put immediately in operation. He could not do so, consistently with his utterances heretofore made. Besides, submission of the amended bill to the people will cut off the objection that any 'snap judgment' has been taken with it. Nor should the legislature, as the Oregonian thinks, provide for submission of the bill at a special election, but should let it go to the general election, in June, 1906. At no special election would there be a full vote, and debate of the subject is not wanted in the year of the Lewis and Clark fair.

"The bill should be very simple. Let any precinct, in any county, have a chance to vote for prohibition, if it wants it; and if all the precincts of a county want prohibition, then there will be prohibition in and for that county. But do not permit precincts where no liquor is sold, because none is wanted, to force prohibition on precincts or towns that do not want it and would vote against it. Again, if any precinct in a city, or town wants to prohibit sale of liquors within its limits, give it opportunity to do so.

"Reasonable legislation on this subject is what the people desire and will approve. It is reasonable also to require that the petition for an election to determine whether sale shall be prohibited, or not, shall be signed by 30 per cent of the registered voters of the precinct. If there is any considerable prohibition sentiment in a precinct such number will easily be obtained. Under the present law 10 per cent will suffice; and thus a very small proportion of the voters now may force an election, year after year.

"Make a true local option law, and there will be no protest against it. As it now stands, it is called a local option law, 'false nominee' for its main features are those of a prohibition law, in disguise. There isn't an honest feature in it, nor was there intended to be. Hence the uproar among the local option element that supplied the greater part of the votes that had carried it, when they found that by trickery, juggle, chicanery, covin and jesuitry, they had been duped into support of it."

#### CASUALTIES OF A YEAR.

Three thousand, two hundred and seventeen people are recorded to have perished by marine disasters in 1904, 2995 were killed in railway accidents, more than 400,000 lost their lives in war, of which 9 is attributed to the Russo-Japanese struggle; 116 were legally executed; there were 8482 homicides. The increasing number of murders committed by hold-up artists, over the figures of 1903, is notable. Causes of homicide are thus recorded: Quarrels 4181, unknown 1651, jealousy 613, liquor 640, by highwayman 464, insane 271, infanticide 153, resisting arrest 66, highwaymen killed 64, strikes 55, self-defense 33, outrage 17, riots 14.

Quarrels lead the list. The soft words that turn away wrath appear to have been lamentably unspoken. A small number died in riots or strikes. Infanticide is well up in the list, and it is probable that only a small percent of these crimes were recorded. It is noteworthy that while homicide number 8482 the executions total only 116;

in other words, only .00136 per cent of the criminals paid the highest penalty for their crimes. In the vast majority of cases, of course, there were no arrests, or if arrest, no conviction. Murder, from these figures, would seem to be a comparatively safe occupation.—Butte Inter-Mountain.

#### GOVERNOR'S MANSION.

About 15 years ago, E. N. Cook died in Salem, leaving a house and lot near the state capitol building to his heirs. At every session of the legislature for the past 12 years, these heirs, aided and abetted by real estate sharks have attempted to unload this house and lot on the state. The first year they wanted \$18,000 for it. Two years ago a bill was introduced in the legislature to sell it to the state for \$16,000. The bill passed both houses, but was vetoed by the governor. This year another bill has been introduced providing that the state shall purchase it at \$14,500. The owners of the property have never been able to dispose of it to anyone in the state of Oregon for that price. The property is actually worth about \$6000. Knowing that it is not worth that amount to anyone else, they are endeavoring to rob the state by disposing of it at twice its actual value, and sufficient numbers of the legislature can always be found to vote for the bill. Nine out of every ten who vote for the bill do not know where the property is or what it is worth. If the heirs are so anxious to sell the property they certainly ought to be able to find a purchaser in Salem who will pay what it is actually worth. The state of Oregon does not need an executive mansion, and Governor Chamberlain has repeatedly stated that he would not live in it if it were purchased by the state.

#### A GOOD INVESTMENT.

Astoria Merchants Report Good Business for January.

The enterprising merchants of Astoria are well pleased with the business done during the month of January. Herman Wise says that he is more convinced than ever that judicious advertising that attracts the public attention, backed up by carrying out all promises, is a paying investment. He has done 50 per cent more business during January than in any corresponding month.

Ross, Higgins & Co. report an increased business and the acquisition of a number of good customers. The Astorian is considered the best advertising medium in the county, on account of its large circulation.

S. Danziger's store has been crowded every day during the month and sales have more than doubled. A firm that offers special inducements not only does a good business, but it makes many new customers.

P. A. Stokes, although not conducting any special clearance sale, yet has been offering special inducements to the trade which have been taken advantage of.

Wherlitz, Ralston & Co. report increased sales during January. They carry a stock of goods especially adapted to the Astoria trade.

Ford & Stokes Co. are more than pleased with their January business. They have advertised several special sales during the month, and their store has been crowded, taxing the clerical force to its utmost limit.

A few merchants complain of dull business, but the only way people know they are in business is by the sign over the door. Few customers visit such places, because the tendency of the people is to take advantage of special inducements.

Although the Bee Hive has recently changed hands, yet since its announcement of a clearance sale, the business has exceeded all expectations.

That people read the advertisements is attested by the opinions expressed by the merchants, everyone recognizing the Astorian as the medium to reach the public.

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

W. J. Cook returned to Portland last evening.

Mrs. Yoder of Seaside was in the city yesterday.

J. A. Wolkonsky of Nahcotta was in the city yesterday.

G. W. Allen of Portland is in the city on business.

L. J. Gray of Portland was a visitor in Astoria yesterday.

Geo. B. Gollings of Portland is registered at the Central.

A. S. Tilden of San Francisco is registered at the Occident.

Frank Smalley of Frankfort was in the city yesterday on business.

Jones Estes of Seattle is in the city visiting his brother, Dr. O. B. Estes.

George Hilbert, editor of the Chinoook Observer, was in the city yesterday.

Judge W. R. Hume left the hospital yesterday and will be at home to his friends.

J. E. Ferguson and E. Z. Ferguson returned last evening from a business trip to Portland.

Paper Peddler Palmer, representing Blake, McFall & Co. of Portland, eluded the health inspector yesterday and drifted into Astoria bag and baggage.

## SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY SALE

This is your opportunity to buy bright, snappy Clothing worth from \$12.50 to \$18.00 a Suit. This Clothing is of Hart-Schaffner & Marks and Crouse and Brandagee fame, which is always the best.

#### OUR OPPORTUNITY SALE PRICE

# \$7.95 A SUIT

FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY.

There's a reason—these Suits contain only one or two sizes of each pattern, but the extremely low price we have placed on them will move them all in a few days. So grasp the OPPORTUNITY of securing high priced merchandise at less than cost.

25 per cent off on all Overcoats.

Swell Togs for Men.

P. A. STOKES

Home of Swell Togs.

#### A Grim Tragedy.

As daily enacted, in thousands of homes, as Death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or Pneumonia. But what Coughs and Colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which cured her, and today she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all diseases. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1 by Chas. Rogers, druggist. Trial bottle free.

#### Greatly in Demand.

Nothing is more in demand than a medicine which meets modern requirements for a blood and system cleanser, such as Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are just what you need to cure stomach and liver troubles. Try them. At Chas. Rogers' drug store, 25c, guaranteed.

#### Next Time

You need a pair of Men's, Women's or Children's

### SHOES

Honest, Durable Shoes

For less money than you have been paying try

S. A. GIMRE  
543-545 Bond St.

#### TO KILL THE DANDRUFF GERM.

Is the Only Possible Way of Having An Effective Cure.

If you see a woman or a man with luxuriant glossy hair, you may be sure neither has dandruff to amount to anything. In nearly every case where women and men have thin brittle hair, they owe it to dandruff. There are hundreds of preparations that "claim" to cure dandruff, but not one but Newbro's Herpicide tells you that dandruff is the result of a germ burrowing into the scalp, and that permanent cure of dandruff and its consequent falling and baldness, can only be had by killing the germ; and there is no other preparation that will destroy that germ but Newbro's Herpicide. "Destroy the cause, and you remove the effect." Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.  
Eagle Drug Store, 351-353 Bond St., Owl Drug Store, 549 Com. St., T. F. Laurin, Prop. "Special Agent."

First National Bank of Astoria  
ESTABLISHED 1886  
Capital and Surplus \$100,000

## Saloon Men, Attention!

Now is the time to have your places of business made neat and attractive. No one is better prepared to do this class of Decorating than we. We have the materials and the competent workmen.

BETTER SEE US IMMEDIATELY!

### B. F. ALLEN & SON

#### FISHER BROTHERS COMPANY

Agents The Linen Thread Co.

#### SALMON TWINE, COTTON TWINE, ROPE

Fishermen and Cannery Supplies

#### YOU CAN TAKE MY HAT

If Allen's Cold Cure is not the best thing on earth for a cold or the Grippe. Avoid imitations.

Sole Agent.

Frank Hart,  
Corner 14th and Commercial Sts.

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